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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No: 11675.119.1.1

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Fernando Gonzalez, et al.

Serial No.: 09/392,034

Filed: September 8, 1999

For: METHOD FOR FORMING A SELF ALIGNED  
ISOLATION TRENCH

Confirmation No.: 9481

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**PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated May 3, 2002 be extended for three month until November 3, 2002.

PTO Form-2038 authorized in the amount of \$920.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

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Dated, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,



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